

**NOTICE TO ARCHITECTS / ENGINEERS
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTS FACILITY**

The Maine Judicial Branch wishes to procure architectural/engineering services for improvements to Superior and District Courts in Machias, Maine. The project will involve major renovations and minor additions to the existing Washington County Courts Facility. The Architect will work closely with the Maine Judicial Branch and Washington County through the design and construction of the Project. Substantial Completion is anticipated for December 2015. The fixed total project allocation is \$8,000,000. Construction Cost is estimated at approximately \$6,339,000. Programming and Preliminary Design have been completed.

Services requested for this work will include, but may not be limited to, design development, construction documents, bidding/negotiations, and construction administration.

A qualifications package should contain a statement of understanding of the project, relevant examples of work clearly showing each team member's responsibility, personnel profiles and their proposed role in this project, evidence of capability to perform this project, including coordination of design team members and references. Parties responding, and those selected for interviews, will be evaluated on the basis of qualifications only, including immediate availability, relevant experience of team members, and references. Short-listed firms will be notified and interviewed prior to final selection. The selected design team must demonstrate experience in design involving court facilities of similar size and complexity, sensitive renovation work, and multiple phasing. Attention will be given to evaluate the ability of individual members of the design team to communicate with the State, County, and other members of the design team and construction team. Fees and specific design concepts for this project shall not be discussed at the interview. Specific program information may be available prior to the interview. Fees will be negotiated with the firm determined by the Selection Committee to be the first choice for these services.

Interested parties should submit five (5) copies of their qualifications package on or before Friday, June 21, 2013 at 2:00pm to:

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